

**ATTACHMENT PART 3.A., UNREGULATED CHILD CARE PROVIDER HEALTH & SAFETY CHECKLIST (page 1)**

**Tennessee Department of Human Services  
Unregulated Child Care Provider  
Health & Safety Checklist**

**Unregulated provider answers at application and gets verified at all home visits. HV**

1. There are no more than six (6) children present in the home, with no more than four (4) unrelated to the provider.	Yes	No	Yes	No
2. There must be a working telephone in the home. (Exception: If an immediate relative is providing in-home care, then a phone must be accessible.)	Yes	No	Yes	No
3. Parent information must be accessible in case of emergency.	Yes	No	Yes	No
4. Emergency numbers must be placed near the phone.	Yes	No	Yes	No
5. There must be at least two (2) usable and unblocked exits from the home. One exit may include a breakable,-non-barred window on the ground floor. (No minimum height is required for that exit window.) (Exception: In-home care being provided by an immediate relative.)	Yes	No	Yes	No
6. Children must not be kept in a room that is windowless.	Yes	No	Yes	No
7. Children must not be kept in a second story apartment without a second exit door to the ground. (Exception: In-home care being provided by an immediate relative or care provided in immediate relative's own home.)	Yes	No	Yes	No
8. There must be at least one working smoke detector on each floor of the home. (Each detector must be tested at each visit..)	Yes	No	Yes	No
9. All toxic substances, such as medicines, cleaning agents, polishes, bleach, detergents, paints, insecticides, etc. must be stored out of children's reach and away from food.	Yes	No	Yes	No
10. Kerosene or other portable heaters must not be in use while children are present. (Exception: Sole source for in-home care being provided by an immediate relative.)	Yes	No	Yes	No
11. Cover unused electrical outlets accessible to children when not in use.	Yes	No	Yes	No
12. There must be a safety gate for all open stairwells when there are children in the home under 5 years of age.	Yes	No	Yes	No
13. Weapons, such as guns, rifles, or pistols – including air operated, swords, hunting knives, etc., must be stored unloaded and locked away from the children.	Yes	No	Yes	No
14. Power tools or other dangerous tools must be secured or otherwise inaccessible to the children.	Yes	No	Yes	No
15. The home must have a working toilet available to the children and provider.	Yes	No	Yes	No
16. Both hot and cold running water and soap must be available for hand washing.	Yes	No	Yes	No
17. Children's toys & play materials must be clean & in good repair.	Yes	No	Yes	No

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*I, as the unregulated provider, agree that all of these items are now in compliance or will be in compliance by the time of my initial home visit.*

**I agree that I will maintain these items in compliance while on the certificate program.**

**I understand that I may be immediately terminated without appeal for failing to be in compliance with these health and safety conditions while on the certificate program.**

**I agree to immediately report to the Child Care Certificate Program office any accident with or injury of a certificate child while that child is in my care.**

**I agree to immediately report to the Child Care Certificate Program office any actual or suspected child abuse by any person in my house or by the parents of the child.**

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Signature of Provider at Interview    Date  
Date

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Signature of Child Care Specialist at Interview

For use on home visits – Check for: ☐ Initial    ☐ Twelve Month Visit

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Provider Signature at Home Visit    Date  
Date

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Signature of CCS